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## INDIANA MAN SENTENCED FOR COCAINE TRAFFICKING

DEA seized sixteen kilograms of cocaine with a street value of over \$1,500,000

David L. Huber, United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky, announced today that, ROGELIO GONZALEZ-ALANIZ, age 28, of Portage, Indiana, was sentenced to 4 years and 3 months in federal prison for possessing five kilograms or more of cocaine with the intent to distribute. There is no parole in the federal judicial system. Gonzalez was also sentenced to 3 years of supervised release to begin upon the completion of his prison sentence.

Between May 1, 2006 and May 5, 2006, Jose Resendez arranged a major cocaine delivery to Louisville, Kentucky. On May 5, 2006, **Gonzalez** and Resendez arrived at the BP station on Zorn Avenue in Louisville in order to distribute sixteen kilograms of cocaine. **Gonzalez** and Resendez arrived in different vehicles. Resendez was transporting the sixteen kilograms of cocaine. **Gonzalez** followed Resendez to assist him in the drug transaction, if necessary. DEA Agents stopped **Gonzalez** and Resendez. DEA located the sixteen kilograms of cocaine in a hidden compartment inside Resendez's Ford Explorer.

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Resendez pled guilty on July 11, 2006. His sentencing is scheduled for November 20, 2006

at 1:30 p.m. in United States District Court before the Honorable Charles R. Simpson III..

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Brian Butler, and it was

investigated by the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) with valuable assistance from the Kentucky

State Police.

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